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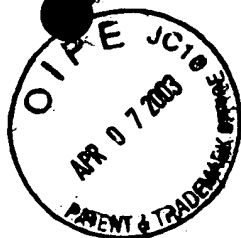
In re Patent Application of

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Title: ASSAY METHODS FOR NUCLEIC ACID IN A SAMPLE



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Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

☒ **Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.**
Fees are attached as calculated below:

Total effective claims after amendment	97	minus highest number		
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				\$ 648.00

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☐ Submission attached
SUBTOTAL \$ 1058.00

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☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith

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